

Year 4 Newsletter – 2018 Autumn Term

Literacy

This term we will focus on producing handwriting that is of a consistently high standard. We will spend time each day looking at punctuation and grammar fundamentals. We will also commence a new literacy programme that will enhance our reading and creative writing skills.

Numeracy

We will review our understanding of the number system, place value and the four mathematical operations used in KS2. After that we will be focusing on fractions. We will continue to consolidate our times tables skills with daily precision mentoring challenges.

Science

To complement this term's topic, we will look at the human digestive system, how to keep our teeth healthy and how we can classify animals based on what they eat.



Geography

We will investigate the different climate zones around the world and how they are involved in the production of the food we eat. We will look at food production in the UK and how we trade with other nations across the globe.



Religious Education

We will investigate some of the rules and traditions surrounding food for each of the six major world religions. We will investigate the significance of fasting in many religions and how certain foods can have important symbolic meanings.



Computing

This term we will use our computing knowledge to investigate the topic of 'Food Glorious Food'. We'll research and design our own menus, create presentations and explore how School 360 can develop our computing skills!

Music

This year we will be taking on the challenge of learning how to play a new instrument – the ukulele!

Design and Technology

We will be following recipes to cook food from ingredients that are available all year round in the UK. We will be talking about the importance of vegetables in a balanced diet and investigate how meat and fish can be used to create healthy meals.

Spanish

We will review the numbers and colours we learnt last term, as well as find out about food vocabulary and how to order a meal in a Spanish restaurant.

Physical Education

In the Autumn term we will continue with gym and swimming sessions, as well as rugby and dance lessons. Please remember your sports kit every week - navy blue shorts, white t shirt and either a school coloured sweatshirt or sports hoody.



Homework

Literacy and Numeracy homework, including spellings, will be set each Monday. This homework will be handed in for marking on Friday, when spellings will also be tested.

Reading Challenge

Reading challenges will return each half term. Pupils will be asked to write short reviews of each book completed.